

**COMPLETE STREETS COMMITTEE  
CITY OF MIDDLETOWN, CT  
MINUTES JULY 11, 2016**

In attendance: John Hall, Beth Emery - Co-Chairs

Cindi Perugini, Ron Krom, David Sandler, Laura Baum, Howard Reid, Karen **Meszaros**

Pam Frost, Amy Vaillancourt, Tom Nigosanti (Town Engineer)

Minutes of the June 2016 meeting accepted by David and Beth

**Implementation of Complete Streets Ordinance for Road Bonds:**

How does CS get in on the ground floor?

Tom explained the list for the upcoming road bond in the fall 2016 will most likely begin to be compiled around this time. Tom will work in conjunction with John to ensure the CS priority list recommendations are included in the road bond.

At this time it is unknown which streets will be on the road bond, however, Tom suggested CS correspond with Bill Russo, Director PW and include Tom as our liaison.

Members expressed an interest in having a road sign erected to identify newly paved Long Lane Road as a thoroughfare for cyclists. This road is heavily traveled by cyclists and most routes from the local bike shop, Pedal Power, travel on this road. Tom will look into the type of signs that can be useful for safe bicycle travel.

**Saybrook Road:**

Tom stated there are many considerations to take into account before moving forward with this extensive project. He is working with Cardinal Engineering to come up with a course of action that will provide safe travel for cyclists, motorists and pedestrians. There will be no construction for this project until next year.

**Wesleyan Hills to Wesleyan multi purpose trail update:**

Tom provided the preliminary plans prepared by Malone and McBroom Engineering. There are still issues to be worked out, however, the project is moving along.

**Protocol for pavement markings for safe travel for motorists, pedestrians and cyclists:**

Tom suggested we work with DPW to prepare specific criteria for road markings. Tom is willing to assist in any way he can.

Tom suggested when the fencing around the American Legion, is moved, it should be relocated enough to provide a bike trail to Newfield Street.

Ron spoke of the new gate at Eastern Drive. It would be in the interest of the Middletown community to have Eastern Drive open to bike and pedestrian traffic by removing the current gate. Unfortunately CS was not aware of the installation of the new gate, therefore, unable to make the suggestion. We need to be in on the ground floor of these types of projects.

**Route 9 Traffic Light elimination proposal by DOT:**

Tom feels the roundabout is a bad idea, it does not take into account pedestrian and bicycle traffic.

**UConn crash data:**

David worked on deciphering data from the site, however, did not find it user friendly. He sorted the data from mile markers 23-25 and years 2012-2014. He was able to identify 68 accidents, most of which occurred at the route 17 on ramp.

Laura stated Bike Walk CT is searching for a new Executive Director. If you know of anyone interested, contact Laura.

Next meeting August 11, 2016 7:00 PM Common Council Chambers